Chicago Capitalists.

# A TRANSCONTINENTAL LINE.

James J. Hill, of the Great Northern, the Dominating Factor in Reorganization.

PRICE MORE THAN \$10,000,000.

Present Receivers in Close Alliance with New Owners, and, It is

Thought, Will Be Asked to Continue

to Manage Company's Affairs.

CHICAGO, September 17 .- The Times-

Philip D. Armour, Marshall Field, and Norman B. Ream have secured control of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad. They have made James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern rallway, the dominating factor in the reorganization of the system, and have gained for Chicago and the Northwest what is practically a trunk line from ocean to ocean, controlled by Chicago capitalists. The price paid is not known.

THE REPORT CONFIRMED.

CINCINNATI, O., September 17 .- Mr. E. R. Bacon, president of the Baltimore and Onlo Southwestern Railway Company, who has been engaged for some time with the New York Committee, Spayer & Co., and Kuhn, Loeb & Co., bankers, and the receivers, in assisting in the readjustment of the affairs of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, was in town to-day, and was interviewed about the parchase of the control of the Baltimore and Ohio, road. . He was reluctant to discuss the matter, but after being advised that it had been published in Chicago, New York, and this city, he said a number of representative men, identified with large railway, manufacturing, and commercial interests in the Northwest and in Chicago, New York, and other cities on the company's line, had been for some time negotiating for the purchase of a very substantial interest in the Baltimore and Ohio road, and that such negotiations had been brought to a successful conclusion; that under the reorganization, ample means had been provided for cutting down grades, increasing the capacity and facilities of the road, and putting it in condition to promptly and economically handle the increased business; that the reorganization managers had also decided that the subsidiary lines, including the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern, should be likewise treated, and the arrangements were now being concluded to readjust the affairs of such lines, and secure capital to put them in the same condition as the main

MORE THAN \$10,000,000 PAID.

Mr. Bacon was very reticent, but it is evident that the control has been purchased, and from what has been learn ed here and through other sources, it is rertain that a much larger sum than to 000,000 has been paid for it, and that he reorganization managers and himare the parties who have made the

Mr. Bacon declined to state whether the present receivers would manage the affairs of the company in the future, but it is well known that they are in alliance with the new owners a will undoubtedly be requested by them to officially manage the company'

BACON STATEMENT SEMI-OFFICIAL BALTIMORE, September 17 .- J. H. Maddy, the press agent of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, to-night said to a presentative of the Associated Press that the statement made in Cincinnati lay by E. R. Bacon, president of Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern ad, is semi-official, and added that no further statement would be issued at present. Receivers Cowen and Murray to not expected to reach Baltimore be WHAT ARMOUR SAYS.

CHICAGO, September 17.-Mr. Armour nental line, but simply the Baltimore and Onio railroad. There is no deal concerned with it relating to the lines between Mil-

MR. HILL NON-COMMITTAL

ST. PAUL, MINN., September 17.-resident J. J. Hill, of the Great Northrallroad, returned from Chicago to and made the following statement to Associated Press representative re-

Any connection I may have with the Baltimore and Ohio is simply for the pur-pose of putting that road on its feet and making it what it was at one time, one of the most important roads in the country. Recently it has failed to such an extent that it was an incubus. Any intention I may have with regard to the Baltimore with the and Ohio has no connection with the Great Northern; neither has the Great Northern or myself any connection with any railroad between St. Paul and Chi-cigo; and, furthermore, I do not expect to have any such connection. Some one who is responsible for statements to the has an imagination that is altogether too vivid. urther than this Mr. Hill had nothing

to say regarding the matter.

# STAR POINTER ON HIS METTLE.

fle Fails to Beat His Record, But Makes a Fast Half-Mile.

PHILADELPHIA, September 17.-Star Pointer this afternoon, in a trial heat to teat his record of 1:591-4, paced a mile, on the Belmont track, in 1:593-4. The fractional time was 281-2, 571-4, 1:281-2. The time for the hulf-mile-571-i-is the fastest time ever made for the distance

by a horse in harness. QUEEN CITY RACING.

CINCINNATI, September 17 .- Results at

First race-one mile-Ma Angeline (7 to b) won, McCleary (19 to 1 and 4 to 1) second, Loyalty (4 to 1) third. Time, 1:421-4.

Second race—five furlongs—Fantasy (3 to 2) won, Georgia (2 to 1 and 4 to 5) second race. Pansy H. (8 to 1) third. Time. Third race-mile and a quarter-Dona-

tion (5 to 2) won, Kathle May (4 to 1 and 8 to 5) second, Rarus (50 to 1) third. Time,

Fourth race—six furlongs—Fireside (6 to 1) won, Braw Lad (11 to 5 and 7 to 10) second, Dutch Comedian (5 to 2) third. Time, 1:131-2.

Fifth race—one mile—Provolo (4 to 1) won, Helen H. Gardner (10 to 1 and 4 to 1) second, Cecil (15 to 1) third. Time, 1:41 1-4. Sixth race—six furlongs—Odaliche (6 to 1) won, Nora S. (8 to 5 and 2 to 5) second, Kowalsky (3 to 1) third. Time, 1:15.

METROPOLITAN TRACK. NEW YORK, September 17 .- Results at

First race—six furlongs—Kilt (100 to 1) won, Blarney Stone (4 to 1 and 8 to 5) se-cond, Charentus (15 to 1) third. Time, 1:15. Second race—mile and a sixteenth—Manassas (20 to 1) won, Merry Prince (3 to 1 and even) second, Simon W. (7 to 5) third. Time, 1:47 1-4.

Third race-Prospect Stakes; six fur-longs-Manuel (6 to 1) won, Autumn (6 to 1 and 2 to 1) second, Rhinelander (4 to 1) third. Time, 1:15.

Fourth race—Oriental Handicap; mile and a quarter—Algo (5 to 1) won, Dr. Cat-lett (20 to 2) second, Whistling Coon (15 to ) third. Time, 1:07 1-2. Fifth race-five furlongs-Satin Slipper

(9 to 5) won, Roysterer (12 to 1 and 5 to 1) second, Easter Card (15 to 1) third. Time, Sixth race—hurdles; mile and a half— Tantria (5 to 1) won, Manchester (29 to 1 and 8 to 1) second, Governor Budd (6 to 1) third. Time, 2:513-4.

### NEW SORT OF MONEY ORDERS.

To Accommodate People Without

Bank Accounts, and Country-Folk. WASHINGTON, D. C., September 17 .-The public will greatly appreciate the convenience afforded throughs an order issued to-day by First-Assistant Postmaster-General Heath, which authorizes postmasters to issue money orders payible at their own offices.
This practice has not been heretofore

followed, and the new departure will be an accommodation to the great number of people who, not having an account at a bank, desire to follow this economiat a bank, desire to follow this economical and absolutely safe method in the payment of bills, etc. These money-orders may now be used, for illustration, in the payment of gas bills, merchants' and grocers' bills, etc.

In smaller places, the person indebted

to a farmer may have an order drawn in favor of the latter, payable at any time and sent to him by a neighbor, who ob-tains and delivers the mail for the neighborhood, the entire cost, say for \$10, be

#### MAGAUTRAP SHOOTING.

Interesting Event Yesterday at Lakeside-Society Out in Force.

The magautrap shooting at Lakeside Club yesterday attracted to that lovely country club a large and fashionable gathering of ladies and gentlemen, and while only a small portion of those present participated in the shooting, all en-joyed the event, and magautrap shooting bids fair to become one of the most popu-lar fads of the year.

The shooters made forty shots each, and

therefore had a chance to make a clean score of 40. None did this, but some ex-cellent marksmanship was displayed, as is shown by the appended score:

Franklin Sterns ..... H. K. Ellyson, Jr.
W. L. Boyd R. C. Williams

Boscher 10

Miss Hammond, who was among the shooters, displayed great skill and grace in handling her gun, and elicited the applause of the onlookers.

#### JEAN FRANCOIS KAUFMANN HERE. The Distinguished Young Artist is Visiting His Brother.

Mr. Jean Francois Kaufmann, who is ranked among the prominent artists of this country, is visiting his brother in this city. Mr. John Kaufmann is a native of Switzerland, and a relative of the distinguished Angelica Kaufmann. He was awarded a first-class medal while study-ing at the Accademia di Belle Arti, Flor-Italy, and while in Paris at the Ecole Nationale des Beaux Arts, he was pupil of the celebrated master, Gerome He was also a pupil, while in Paris, of Bouguereau, and in 1891 exhibited in the Paris Salon, coming to America the following year, where he has been an exhibitor at all the large exhibitions, having two maintages.

two paintings now at the Trans-Missis-sippi Exposition, in Omaha. Since he came to Richmond Mr. Faufnann has executed a fine portrait of Mr William L. Royall, which is now on exhi sition in the window of the store of Walter D. Moses & Co. ture is noteworthy, not alone on account of its strong, bold treatment, but for the splendid technique that the work dis

# THE HAXALL MILLS LEASED.

Richmond Flour and Feed Co. Will Operate Them for the Present.

Mr. William R. Todd, manager of the Richmond Flour and Feed Company, has leased the Haxall Mills. It is said that the arrangement is merely temporary, and that only cornmeal is being grou at present. As soon as the Gallego Mills are put in running order again, the lease will expire.

The damage at the latter mills has not yet been repaired, as the Chancery Court is in vacation, and an order is necessary before any money can be ex-pended. The court will be in session again October 1st, and the repairs will be made as soon thereafter as possible.

#### THE TRAMP ORDINANCE SIGNED. Councilmen Will Inspect the Jail-Poor Committee to Meet.

Mayor Taylor has signed the tramp or dinance as amended, and it has become The amendments bring the operative. Richmond beggar within the limits of the law and make provision for the shack-

ing of unruly knights.

The City Council will inspect the city jail to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock. It is expected that the state of the jail will is expected that the state of the jail will inches the council to t prove a fruitful topic of discussion Council meetings for some time to come. The Committee on Relief of the Poor meets at the Almshouse Monday night at

# SARAH WATHALL GETS DIVORCE. Suits Entered in the Chancery and

Circuit Courts. Judge Minor, in the Law and Equity Court, yesterday granted a divorce to Sarah Waltha'l from Charles R. Walthall on the ground of infidelity.

In the Chancery Court suits were instituted by Edward H. Gilmer against Sue R. Gilmer and others, and George J. Hooper, Jr., against Fannie Salamonsky. Suits were instituted in the City Circuit Court yesterday by Vinia G. Green against Daniel B. Yancey for \$849.62, and John S. Lear against J. J. Snider for \$16.

Vespers at the Cathedral, The choir of St. Peter's Cathedral will sing Le Jeal's musical vespers at 5 o'clock this afternoon. Messrs. Halloran and Canepa will sing Cuito's "O Salutaris," and Miss Herald will sing Pesuiti's "Salve Regina."





And Forty More Are Coming in November. - New York Journal.

# SHOOTING OF HAWKES

VERDICT OF THE CORONER'S JURY IN DINWIDDIE YESTERDAY.

BALDWIN FIRED INTENTIONALLY.

Deceased Received the Ball as He

Was Leaving the Room-Examination of the Dead Man's Son Postponed on Account of the Inquest.

PETERSBURG, September 17.—(Special.)
W. H. Hawkes, whose father was killed at Wilson's Depot yesterday by Detective Baldwin, of the Norfolk and Western railroad, and who was brought down to this city in the afternoon under arrest on the charge of conspiracy to defraud the railroad company, was taken down to Suffolk last night for examination before a magistrate there, the alleged offence having been committed in Nansemond

ARRESTED.

Lieutenant Chandler and Officer Beck this evening arrested two negroes named Lex Meekes and Harry Richardson, on the charge of highway robbery. The prisoners were apprehended in Dinwildie county, where the offence was committed and robbing him of his watch, chain, money, and knives.

Richardson pointed a pistol at Winkler, threatening to shoot if he made any resistance, and Meekes went through him. They have been identified.

The robbery was done on the Norfolk and Western railroad, about a mile from this city, and the men were arrested at the camps, on the line of the Virginia and Carolina railroad. They will be taken to Dinwiddie county Monday for trial. They decline to talk at all in regard to their case, but Richardson is well known in police circles in this city. having been committed in Nansemond county. In view of the Coroner's inquest to-day at Wilson's, and of the funeral of the father of the accused, the Justice postponed the examination of the prisoner Coming Election - Year's Clark until the 24th instant and additted him GI WEESTER COURTHOUSE, VA.

to bail in the sum of \$500 for his appearance. He returned to Wilson's on the

deceased came to his death by a pistol shot fired by W. G. Baldwin, said shot being fired intentionally, as said Hawke was leaving the room where the shooting The jury also gave a genera description of the wounds.

# \*PETERSBURG AND VICINITY.

Percy Brockwell Dangerously Hurt-Fourth District Polities.

PETERSBURG, VA., September 17 .-(Special.)-The condition of young Percy Brockwell, who accidentally shot himself near his home, in Prince George county, yesterday, is regarded to-day as very serious, and grave fears are expressed that his injuries may prove fatal. While there is a possibility that his life may be saved, the strong probabilities are against it. He is attended by Dr. R. D. McIlwaine, of this city, and Dr. Phillips, of the county. The whole charge of No. 7 shot from his gun tore through the young man's left side, near the hip, producing an ugly wound. Mr. Brockwell enjoys a fine character and is very popular among his acquaintances.

Miss Ruth Dabney and Miss Eethel Plummer, both of this city, have been

elected principal and assistant principal, respectively, of the Graded Public School, t Waverly, Sussex county. Several members of Company K, Fourth Virginia Regiment, at Jacksonville, have recently received their honorable discharges from the service.

Pot hunters and hunters out of season are to be vigorously prosecuted in the counties adjacent to Petersburg.

FOURTH DISTRICT POLITICS. State-Chairman J. Taylor Ellyson, at an early day, will meet the city county Democratic chairmen of the Congressional District, in this city, to confer as to the campaign. gressive fight all along the lines, and there really seems to be no doubt of the election of Hon. S. P. Epes by such a vote as to place a contest for his seat out of all question. There is perfect harmony in the ranks of the Democratic party, while the Republicans are divided on two candidates, and even should one withdraw the other would not be able to poll a full vote. The Democrats, too, will have able speakers at every court, and this feature will be strengthened by a thorough organization.

A DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

A fire occurred this morning between 1 and 2 o'clock in the wood-yard of Mr.
S. H. Hobbs, on Bollingbrook street,
which caused considerable damage. Some
thirty or forty cords of wood were destroyed, a large shed burned, and the steam engine, boiler, and machinery used for sawing wood were badly dam-aged. A cart and harness were also burned. Mr. Hobbs's loss is several hundred dollars, with only partial insurance The loss, however, would have been much greater but for the efforts of the Fire The fire is supposed to have Department. The fire is supposed to have originated from sparks from a passing

VERY GOOD CROPS. The farmers throughout this section are looking forward to presperous times just ahead. The splendid crops this year,

just ahead. The splendid crops this year, if fair prices are realized, will relieve them of debt and place them solidly on their feet. Indeed, their financial condition has been improving for several years, under the blessing of good crops. The tobacco crop this season is the largest and finest in twenty years; the corn crop is splendid, and cotton and peanuts give promise of satisfactory returns. Our merchants are anticipating a busy and profitable fall and winter in trade.

There are new seven large saw-mills

in operation on the line of the first twenty miles of the Richmond, Peters-burg and Carolina railroad, in Dinwiddie county. Their capacity, at full work, is about 100,000 feet of lumber per day, and shipments will commence as soon as the

road is ready for freight. ALLEGED HIGHWAYMEN ARRESTED

Lieutenant Chandler and Officer Beck

# A RAILROAD MEETING.

Gloucester Citizens Plan for the Coming Etection-Yacht Clah

September 17 .- (Special.)-A railroad meeting was held here to-day to make plans for the coming election. Representatives Verdict of the Coroner's Jury.

WILSON, September 17.—(Special.)—
The verdict of the coroner's jury which investigated the death of Henry Hawkes (colored), who was shot by Detective Baldwin in this county yesterday, is that the deceased came to his death by a pistol shot fired by W. September 18.—(Special.)—

If you all parts of the county were present. Rev. W. E. Wiatt was elected chairman and Mr. S. V. Corbell secretary. A county committee of two from every precinct was appointed. This committee was instructed to appoint sub-committees for every precinct, for the purpose of purgshot fired by W. September 18.—(Special.)—

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to the polls, finances, and speaking.

A concerted effort is to be made to get out a full vote. It is likely that Richmond will be called upon to furnish speakers for the campaign.

The meeting to-day was very encourage.

ng to the advocates of the railroad. The Mobjack Yacht Club was organized here to-day, with the following officets:
H. J. Meredith, commodore; A. D. Yasizi,
vice-commodore; W. B. Withers, vicecommodore; W. C. Harwood, treasurer;
John Tabb, Jr., secretary. Executive
Committee—Joseph Hopkins, W. C. Per-

rin, and J. L. Taliaferro.

A committee was appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws. The club will meet again on October 26th.

#### JAMES ADAMS'S BARN BURNED. Loss About \$1,500-Fire Supposed to Be of Incendiary Origin.

WINCHESTER, VA., September 17 .-(Special.)-The large barn on the farm of James Adams, a well-known resident of the county, situated near Cross June tion, was totally destroyed by fire last night, together with its contents. The loss is estimated at \$1,500, on which there

\$750 insurance. The fire was undoubtedly of incendiary rigin, as Bud Dally, a farm hand em ployed by Mr. Adams, upon investigation of a noise he heard near the barn, sav a man running out the front door, flames burst out almost immediately after this incident. The fire had been started on the barn floor, near a mow

Twenty tons of hay and twenty-five tons of straw, together with a large harness were consumed. The incendiary escaped in the dark leaving no clew his identity.

#### GILES H. VADEN BADLY HURT. Treasurer of Pittsylvania Injured by J. L. Bennett-Now Unconscious.

DANVILLE, VA., September 17 .- (Special.)-Giles H. Vaden, Treasurer of Pittsylvania county, and J. L. Bennett, a country merchant, go into an altercation at Galveston to-day. Bennett struck Vaden over the head with a wagon standard, and the wounded man has been unconscious ever since, and his condition is critical. Bennett was refused bail and committed to jail by a justice of the

# Books for Powhatan.

POWHATAN COURTHOUSE, September 17.-(Special.)-Superintendent Hen-ning and his Board of Trustees met here to-day to adopt school books. The differ-ent publishing houses were well represent-ed, and the board listened to a hot discussion. The readers, histories, primer, and writing-books were given the B. F. Johnson Publishing Company without a dissenting vote. Three Soldiers Die in Porto Rico.

WASHINGTON, D. C., September 17.

The War Department to-day received a dispatch from General Brooke, dated Ponce, stating that three American soldiers had died in Porto Rico yesterday from typhoid-fever.

Private Louis Wood, of Company M. Fourth Regiment, who has been quite sick at Jacksonville, is on a thirty days' ugh. He is now much improved.

# PUCKETT LYNCHING.

A CORONER'S JURY INVESTIGATES THE LAMENTABLE AFFAIR.

NO ARRESTS HAVE BEEN MADE. The Dead Man Had Once Been in an Asylum, But Escaped Therefrom and Was Afterwards Regarded as

of Sound Mind-The Verdict.

STUART, VA., September 17 .- (Special.) C. T. McMillian, Justice, and as such, Acting Coroner, with T. B. Barnard, J. B. Bowman, C. Going, C. H. Childress,
M. T. Young, and W. C. Bowman, as
jurors, held an inquest over the body
of Lee Puckett, on the 13th instant. The
Clerk received the papers from the Justice last night, but the only evidence
among these was a certificate of Dr. J.

SITTINGS ALL IN WASHINGTON.

Mr. Howell thought that there would be
no necessity for the commission to leave
to Washington during the inquiry. Ogices
for its use would be secured in or convenient to the War Department, where
the official records would be at hand.

The only purpose of the President in
ings of crepe.

THOSE WHO TESTIFIED. C Stanley, the Deputy Sherin who had Puckett in charge, and the guards-William Overby, Daniel Stanley, and P. Montgomery-were summoned to testify before the Corones, but the depositions of these witnesses, if they testified, have not been returned with the papers, and there is nothing to show that they were even present at the inquest. It is claimed that the men who shot Puckett were not masked or in any way disguised.

VERDICT OF THE JURY. The following is the verdict of the The jurors sworn to enquire when and how and by what means the said Lee Puckett came to his death, upon their oaths, do say he came to his death on the 12th day of September, 1898, by being shot with a pistol or gun, three wounds, two taking effect in and one in the back part of the head, done by parties, or party, unknown to the

NO ARRESTS.

So far as I am informed no warrants have been issued for and no efforts have been made to arrest the parties who participated in the lynching. Not very long ago, Puckett was tried for an offence, and the plea of insanity was put in and sustained. He was sent to an asylum, from which he escaped, and came home. He was arrested the asylum authorities were notified to come for him. They did not come, but sent his discharge, saying he was not

# SCHEME DIDN'T WORK. Watchman Ashbury Thrown in the

Water by a Negro.

NORFOLK, VA., September 17 .- (Special.)-Messrs. J. T. White, of this city, and J. H. Fleming, of Portsmouth, large pyster-packers at Craney Island, employ Frank Ashbury, of West Norfolk, to watch their grounds. Watchman Ashbury early this morning discovered a negro tonging oysters on his territory and hailed him. The negro claimed that Cap-tain White had sent him for oysters. The watchman, not believing his story, took the fellow in charge and started to the city in a boat with Captain B, F. Caten-

PUSHED ASHBURY OVERBOARD. The suspect was put to sculling the boat. When off Atlantic City he suddenly drop-When off Atlantic City he stadeny and pped the oars he was using and juriped at Watchman Ashbury, pushing him overboard. He then leaped in the water and made a desperate effort to drown Ashbury. Falling in his effort he swam away as rapidly as he could.

Ashbury was pulled back into the boat Ashbury was pulled back into the boat by Captain Catenhead and a chase was made for the negro. He was caught and brought to police headquarters, where he gave the name of George Parker. Justice Tomlin sent him on to the October grand jury without bail.
The charge of stealing oysters was pre-

ferred against Parker, but the court not having jurisdiction, referred the matter having jurisdiction, referred the matter to the county authorities. Watchman Ashbury and the negro both appeared in court in their wet clothes. Parker says that he is from North Carolina. He is not a large man. His only statement Justice Tomlin was that he accidentally fell against Watchman Ashbury. BOWDEN AND THE CLERKSHIP.

It has been understood for some time but Mr. George E. Bowden resigned the that Mr. George E. Bowden resigned the office of collector of this port in order to accept that of Cierk of the United States District Court, Judge Edmund Waddill desiring to have Mr. Bowden as strong personal and political friend as cierk of his court. It transpired to-day that he asked Mr. H. S. Ackiss, the incumbent, to resign, but Mr. Ackiss flatly declined to do so. He states that he prefers remodel to resignation. val to resignation.

# FREDERICKSBURG.

Death of a Young Lady-Electric-Light Plant-Personals.

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., September 17.-(Special.)-Miss Bettle Gertrude Weaver, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Weaver, died at her parents' residence, on Main street, this morning, after a lingering illness. The deceased was in her lith year, and was a devoted

member of the Baptist church. The fune-ral will take place from her home Mon-day, and her remains will be taken that evening by steamer to Richmond county, her native county, for interment. The remains of Mrs. James B. Botts who died in Roanoke yesterday, arrived here to-day and were interred in the City Cemetery. The funeral ser-vices were held at 5:30 this evening from St. George's church.

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During a difficulty last night with a negro named Willie Johnson, Mr. Richard Beil, night watchman at the National Bank, was struck upon the face with a stone and quite painfully injured. Owing to his condition the case was continued in the Mayor's Court this morning, until Monday.

The Light Committee of the Council, to whom has been referred the question of the city's owning its own electric-light plant, have secured the information desired and it is understood will call a meeting of the Council early next week to take proper action.

The School Board of Courtland District, Spotsylvania county, met yesterday and

The School Board of Courtland District, Spotsylvania county, met yesterday and elected teachers for the session of 1898-99. Mrs. W. S. White, widow of Mayor White, has been quite ill for several days. This evening her condition is improved. Miss Idna Mayo, of Richmond, is the guest at "Kenmore," of Major and Mrs. W. Key Howard.

W. Key Howard.

Mrs. Josephine Allen and daughter, of
Fauquier, who have been the guests this
week of Councilman W. S. Embrey and
wife, returned home yesterday. wife, returned home yesterday.

Mrs. Lollie Hancock, of Baltimore, is
the guest of friends in the county.

Miss Bertie Durrett left yesterday for
Washington, where she will spend the
winter with her uncle's family, Mr. John

T. Leavell.
The City Council last night authorized the placing of United States flags on all school and public buildings. This action was at the request of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics.

#### THE WAR INQUIRY.

Mr. Howell, of Atlanta, Accepts His Appointment-Schofield Declines. WASHINGTON, September 17 .- Mr. Evan P. Howell, of Atlanta, Ga., who was asked by the President to serve on the commission to investigate certain departments of the army in conection with the war, was at the White House to-day, and was official in character, under the aus-

secure a commission which, without fear net, t or favor, would probe to the bottom the charges made by newspapers and indi-viduals involving the efficiency and in-tegrity of officers of the army and give to the country the facts. The Secretary of War had asked for an investigation, and the President thought it due to all concerned that the investigation be made at once by a commission, of whose hon-esty of purpose and ability there could be no question.

be no question.

Under these circumstances Mr. Howell assured the President that he would gladly accept the appointment, as he regarded it a duty which no citizen should SITTINGS ALL IN WASHINGTON.

among these was a certificate of Dr. J.

K. Martin, who described the nature and locality of the wounds.

The only purpose of the Freshelt the securing, if possible, nine members of the commission is to lighten the labors of the individual members. According to his idea, the work of the commission tees, so that the larger the commission the easier would be the work for the in-dividual members. II, however, the Presidividual members. If, however, the President was unable to secure the services of nine members, he would proceed with seven. He expected that in any event the commission would be completed within the next few days. The gentlemen who have already accepted, or who, it is confidently expected, will consent to serve, are Mr. Sexton, General Dodge, Mr. Denby, Mr. Howell, Mr. Gilman, and Dr. Keen.

POWER TO COMPEL TESTIMONY. compel officers and others to testify as to facts within their knowledge, the President assured Mr. Howell that if the commission met with any difficulty in that regard, which, however, he did not expect, he, the President, would know the reason why.

After a half hour's conference with the

### President to-day, General Schofield a nounced that he would not serve as member of the commission. JIMPLECUTES SHUT OUT.

The Fulton Tigers "Didn't Do Thing to Them." About 250 lovers of the national game ourneyed out to Broad-Street Park yesterday afternoon to witness the game between the Jimplecutes and Fulton Tigers. two crack amateur teams representing

two crack amateur teams representing the East and West Ends, respectively. Each team had its coterie of admirers, and royally did they root.

Up to the sixth inning the game was well played by both teams, the pitchers doing the stellar work, and in this line Bass, the Manchester wizard, had the best of the fight. The Jimplecutes were unable to hit at the proper time, and in consequence were whitewashed, giving Bass his fourth victory over the strong aggregation. The fielding of the visitors was superb, only one error being recorded against them, and that an excusable one by Jennings. Gathright, on first, played the game of his life, figuring in all four of the double plays made by the Fultons, and accepting everything that came his way. For the Jimplecutes, Spence, Freeman, and Bigby did the best work. Hooker pitched another good game, and he bids fair to enter into company faster than amateur next season.

Following is the score by innings:

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123456789-R. H. E Jimplecutes ...... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 7 Tigers ..... 0 1 0 0 0 3 1 0 x-5 7 Batteries: Jimplecutes-Hooker and Bethel; Tigers-Bass and Elmore.
Umpire: Mr. Bender.

### LADIES'-NIGHT AT PICKETT CAMP. An Interesting Programme Arrang-

ed for To-Morrow Evening. Ladies' Night will be the feature of the meeting of Pickett Camp to-morrow night, and, for the nonce, the business of the camp will be dispensed with, and a most enjoyable musical and literary programme will be carried out. The Fu. Mandolin and Guitar Club will render Mandolin and Guitar that the efficient strumental music, and under the efficient direction of Captain Whitlock, assisted by Mr. Will Toler, the following programme will be carried out:

1. Miss Ellen Taylor, recitation.

2. Miss Kate Sales, expert club swing-

Mr. Julian Retter, solo (selected). Messrs. Wilks and Freeman, singing

4. Messrs. Wilks and Freeman, singing and talking comedians. 5. Miss May Brown, solo, with quartette chorus.

6. Mr. Will Toler, solo (selected).

7. Jefferson Quartette, in their own se-8. Masters Evensen, instrumental duet.

#### WILLIAM A. WHITE DEAD. He Was a Prominent Farmer of Western Albemarle.

MECHUM RIVER. ALBEMARLE COUNTY, VA., September II.—(Special.)—Mr. William A. White, one of the most preminent and successful farmers of Western Albemarle, died this morning at his home. "Lowlands," near here. He was a great friend to the poor man, and will be greatly missed as a citizen.

Mr. L. M. Dey, Jr., of the local Weather Mr. L. M. Dey, Jr., of the local weather Bureau station, has been transferred to Phoenix, Ariz., and Mr. Albert Ash-burner, of Phoenix, has been assigned to duty under "Farmer" Evans, in this

Service Commemorative of the Murdered Empress of Austria.

# CARDINAL GIBBONS PRESIDES

Ceremony Official and Under Auspices of Austrian Minister at Washington.

PRESIDENT M'KINLEY PRESENT.

With Him Are a Number of the Mem-

tatives of the Army and Navy-The

Cardinal on Anarchism, WASHINGTON, September 17 .-- An imposing funeral mass commemorative of

church (Catholic) to-day, Cardinal Gibbons being the celebrant. The ceremony formally accepted the appointment.

In his interview the President assured
Mr. Howell that it was his purpose to
secure a commission which, without fear

net, the ambassadors and ministers of foreign governments, in their brilliant diplomatic uniforms; representatives of the United States army, navy, and Su-

preme Court, and a large gathering from

the murdered Empress Elizabeth, of

Austria, was celebrated at St. Matthew's

private life. The Austrian Minister, Mr. Von Hengelmuller, was attended by all the members of his staff, the military attache, Baron Riedl, in the uniform of the Austrian Imperial Guard, and Captain Rodler, naval attache, in the uniform of the Austrian navy, acting as ushers. Minister Von Hengelmuller wore the striking costume of the Hungarian "magnate," Jenoting high diplomatic rank. It was of sombre black satin, coat, knee breeches, and high boots, and a heavy black velvet cleak hung from the left shoulder. His sword,

scabbard, and hilt were hidden with wind-PRESIDENT AND CABINET.

As the carriages of the President and Cabinet reached the church, Mr. You Hengelmuller left his pew and met the President at the church door, escorting him to a pew to the front and right of the chancel. With the President were Secretaries Gage and Wilson, Postmaster-General Emory Smith, and Acting-Secretary Adee. Back of them, as representatives of the army, sat two of the officers of General Miles's staff, Colonel Maus, and Lieutenant-Colonel Michler, in fatigue uniform, while the judiciary was represented by Justice Harlan, of the United

In the absence of the British Ambassador, Sir Julian Pauncefote, a large floral cross, of white roses and carnations, was sent from the embassy, and this was in the middle of the chancel, facing the congregation. The embassy was represented by Captain Paget and

The church interior was simply arranged for the occasion. Back of the chancel hung long crepe draperies, cover-ing the windows and darkening the altar. The pulpit was draped with heavy bands

Cardinal Gibbons was assisted in the mass by a large number of priests and acolytes, the usual rich vestments being put, aside for those of black and white. THE CARDINAL'S SERMON.

In his sermon the Cardinal said a grievous crime had shocked the civilized world. The hand of an assassin had struck down an unoffending lady, the consort of an Emperor of vast and historic regions. The crime had occurred, not when the Empress was seated on her throne, amid pomp and majesty, which might have excited the passions of some fanatic, but while she was peacefully walking the "The man that strikes at the ruler of a nation is an enemy of social order," de-clared the Cardinal. "Public peace and

nation depends the execution of law, and the maintenance of stable government. It behooves us, therefore, to uphold the head of the nation, whose person as a ruler is sacred." TRIBUTE TO THE EMPRESS. The Cardinal paid a touching tribute to press, and asked that prayers be made not only for the repose of her soul, but also for the solace of the stricken Em-

tranquillity depend upon the execution of

the law. On the ruler or executive of

peror. ong all the tributes of sympathy which had gone to the Emperor, he said, none had been more touching and gracious than that of the President of the United States. The Cardinal recalled the world-wide sympathy coming to the United States on the assassination of President Garfield, which, he said, levelled all partisanship in this country, bringing together Democrats, Republicans, admin-istration men and anti-administration men, in a common sorrow. Thus, out of the blood of a martyred President was sown the seed of patriots, and the Cardi-nal hoped that out of this last abhorrent tragedy would come also good lessons and

The music following the mass was of a high order. Following the ceremony the President and his party returned to the White House.

# The Weather.

WASHINGTON, September 17 .-Forecast for Sunday: For Virginia-Fair weather; light, variable winds.

showers on the coast; light to fresh, variable winds, increasing on the THE WEATHER IN RICHMOND YESTERDAY was clear and warmer.

For North Carolina, South Caroline

and Georgia-Threatening weather, with

The skies at midnight were cloudless. State of thermometer: